

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claims 1-9, 16-33 and 40-54 are pending. Claims 1-9, 16-33 and 40-54 stand rejected. In this response, claims 1, 4, 9, 16, 18, 22, 24, 28-33, 40, 43, 51, 52 and 53 have been amended. No new claims have been added. No claims have been canceled. Thus, claims 1-9, 16-33 and 40-54 remain pending. Support for the amendments can be found throughout the specifications as filed. No new matter has been added. Applicant reserves all rights with respect to the applicability of the Doctrine of Equivalents.

Objections

Claim 22

Claim 22 is objected to because of informalities. Applicant has corrected the informalities in claim 22, as amended, by reciting “interface” in place of “nterface” as directed in the Office Action. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objections is respectfully requested.

Claim 54

Claim 54 is objected to because of informalities. Applicant has corrected the informalities in claim 54, as amended, by reciting “the system of claim 53” in place of “the computer readable medium of claim 53”. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objections is respectfully requested.

Rejections

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 28-33, 51-52 and 54

Claims 28-33, 51-52 and 54 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as the claimed invention allegedly appears to be non-statutory subject matter because the claim language

“computer readable medium” is defined in the specification as including intangible media. Applicant’s claims 28-33, 51-52 and 54, as amended, now include “computer readable storage medium”. Clearly, a storage medium is a tangible medium. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that claims 28-33, 51-52 and 54, as amended, recite statutory subject matter in compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 101. Withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1-9, 16-33 and 40-54

Claims 1-9, 16-33 and 40-54 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention because the claim limitation “the single representation of a time line” lacks antecedent basis and claim 16 includes a combination of system and method steps. In response, independent claims 1, 16, 28, 40 and dependent claims 4, 9, 24, 30, 43, as amended, now include the claim limitations of “the single representation of the time line” as directly by the Office Action. Additionally, independent claim 16, as amended, is directed to a system claim with a limitation of a processor to perform processing a presentation of a time line. As such, applicant respectfully submit that claims 1-9, 16-33 and 40-54, as amended, particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention in compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

Claims 1-9, 16-33 and 40-54

Claims 1-9, 16-33 and 40-45 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Foreman et al., US Patent No. 6,628303 B1 (hereinafter “Foreman”). Applicant hereby reserves the right to swear behind Foreman at a later date. However, applicant respectfully submits that applicant’s claims 1-9, 16-33 and 40-54, as amended, are not anticipated by the cited reference.

Specifically, for example, independent claim 1, as amended, includes the limitations:

“providing a user interface having functionality to display only a single graphical representation of a time line including a plurality of references, each reference corresponding to a visual time based stream of information, each reference including one of at least two types of edit features, each edit feature including a description, wherein at least two of the references are to be positioned in a presentation, and wherein any time instant along the time line corresponds to at most one of the references positioned in the presentation; displaying the single graphical representation of a time line on the user interface; displaying a reference with an edit feature on the user interface; and dragging the reference over the single graphical representation of the time line to insert the edit feature into the presentation.”

It is respectfully submitted that Foreman lacks the limitations of a graphical representation of a time line including a reference including an edit feature which includes a description.

Rather, Foreman discloses a graphical user interface for a computer-assisted motion video editing system that directs a user through a process of editing a video program (Foreman, Abstract). In Foreman, each of selectable interfaces within a single window provides a group of functions for producing a video program (Foreman, Abstract). Foreman also describes using drag and drop operation to insert clips at transitions for rearranging clips on a timeline (Foreman, col. 11, line 59 – col. 12 line 6). However, Foreman is completely silent about a graphical representation of a time line including a reference including an edit feature which includes a description.

In order to anticipate a claim, each and every limitation of the claim must be taught by the cited reference. It is respectfully submitted that Foreman fails to disclose each and every limitation set forth above. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that independent claim 1, as amended, is not anticipated by Foreman.

Independent claims 10, 22, 28 and 40, as amended, include similar limitations as noted above. Therefore, for at least the similar reasons as discussed above, it is respectfully submitted that claims 10, 22, 28 and 40, as amended, are not anticipated by Foreman.

Given that claims 2-9, 17-21, 23-27, 29-33 and 41-54, as amended, depend from and include all limitations of one of independent claims 1, 16, 22, 28 and 40, as amended,

applicant respectfully submits that claims 2-9, 17-21, 23-27, 29-33 and 41-54, as amended, are not anticipated by Forman.

CONCLUSION

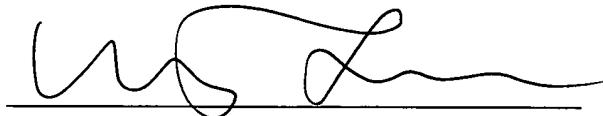
In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully submits the applicable rejections and objections have been overcome.

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02 2666 for any charges that may be due. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then applicants hereby request such extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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